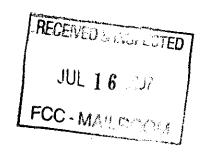
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My son, who lives in a group home, has only had the service about a year. I can't begin to tell you how much it means to him to be able to communicate effectively and quickly. He had a TDD for years but was not effective in communicating because of his cerebral palsy and the limited use of only one hand. The VRS service has given him more independence, a feeling of worth and self esteem in his communication, and a quicker way than his slow pecking TDD communication was for him. He can sign so much quicker and better than typing. He and many friends, both deaf and hearing have been able to communicate more efficiently utilizing the VRS system.

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Elaine R. Hill

(Mother of Anthony F. Hill)

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